

Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC) Meeting

April 8, 2013 - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm - Lacey Community Center

Agenda

8:30-9:00	Check-In, Coffee and Refreshments
9:00-9:05	Welcome & Introductions
9:05-9:15	Opening Remarks from DEL Director Bette Hyde
9:15-9:35	Council Q&A on the State & Partner Agency Updates • DEL, DSHS, OSPI, DOH, TB5
9:35-9:40	Public Comments
9:40-10:00	Early Learning Guidelines (ELG) Implementation Purpose: Understand ELG Implementation work group efforts since the guidelines were released; gather feedback and advice from ELAC about: 1) General thoughts on proposed actions and what may be missing? 2) Level of future ELAC involvement with ELG Implementation, and 3) Language barrier issues and meeting the needs of non-English speaking communities in WA. Action Requested: Advise DEL on the above aspects of ELG Implementation
10:00-10:05	Council Discussion
10:05-10:10	Public Comments
10:10-10:15	BREAK
10:15-11:15	DRAFT 2013 ELAC Work Plan Purpose: Review the next draft of the 2013 ELAC Work Plan and solicit recommended changes and/or approval of the plan Action Requested: Advise DEL on the 2013 ELAC Work Plan
11:15-11:20	Public Comments

11:20-11:35	CCDF – Child Care Subsidy Eligibility System Improvement Purpose: Report back to ELAC about progress, and solicit ELAC's thoughts on the overall plan and timeline. Action Requested: Advise DEL on the overall plan and timeline to address the Subsidy Eligibility Improvement recommendations.
11:35-11:40	Council Discussion
11:40-11:45	Public Comments
11:45-12:25	LUNCH
12:25-1:25	State/Local Coordination Project – Council Recommendations Purpose: Present the full draft SLC Recommendations Report. Gather advice on the recommendations and report. Action Requested: Develop consensus or non-consensus around final SLC Recommendations to forward to the Washington Early Learning Partnership
1:25-1:35	BREAK
1:35-2:35	State/Local Coordination Project – Council Recommendations Continued
2:35-2:45	Public Comments
2:45-2:55	Meeting Follow Up Discussion
2:55-3:00	Closing Remarks/Adjourn

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2013 ELAC MEETINGS (9am - 3pm)

January 28, 2013 (Lacey Community Center)
March 25, 2013 – Special Meeting (Lacey Community Center – 9am – 2pm)
April 8, 2013 (Lacey Community Center)
June 24, 2013 (TBD)
September 30, 2013 (TBD)
December 9, 2013 (TBD)

OVERALL PURPOSE

The purpose of the Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC) is for representatives from the state's early learning stakeholder communities to provide input and recommendations to the Department of Early Learning (DEL) so that DEL's strategies and actions are well-informed and are broadly supported by parents, early care providers, health/safety experts and interested parties. The Governor holds final authority for policy decisions and his P-20 Council will be made aware of ELAC's input to DEL.